



**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 CFR §1.114
  - a.  Previously submitted
    - i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on \*\*\*\*\*.  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)
    - ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \*\*\*\*\*.
    - iii.  Other
  - b.  Enclosed
    - i.  Amendment/Reply
    - ii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - iii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
    - iv.  Other: Request for Interview
2. MISCELLANEOUS
  - a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of \*\* months.  
(Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR §1.17(i) required).
  - b.  Other
3. FEES
  - a.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0457
    - i.  RCE fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(e)
    - ii.  Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§1.136 and 1.17)
    - iii.  Other
  - b.  Check in the amount of \$ enclosed
  - c.  Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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